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### Yavapai County Has a New Emergency Manager

In April of 2022, Ashley Ahlquist was promoted from a Planner in the Yavapai County Office of Emergency Management to Emergency Manager. She replaced Brian Hunt who left Yavapai County in April to pursue other career opportunities.

Ashley started in the Emergency Management office as a Specialist back in July of 2021 and before that worked for almost a decade in public safety telecommunications for the Yavapai County Sheriff's Office. While there she established the only tactical dispatch team within Yavapai County and facilitated in-service training for dispatch agencies in Northern Arizona. Additionally, Ashley was trained as a Critical Incident Stress Management peer counselor, in FBI Crisis Negotiations, and certified through the State-Wide Interoperability Coordinator as an Incident Command Communications Manager.

Ashley has a B.S. in Public Safety and Emergency Management; a M.S. in Forensic Psychology and she is currently finishing her second M.S. degree in Leadership.

Yavapai County Board of Supervisors Chair Mary Mallory said, "I am excited to see how the vitally important public resource of Emergency Management will thrive under the leadership of Ms. Ahlquist."



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